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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 61

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Celebrating the life of Marguerite Bozarth Davis.

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WHEREAS, Marguerite Bozarth Davis of Williamsburg, an educator and valued citizen, died on July 1, 2005; and

WHEREAS, a native of Williamsburg, Marguerite Davis attended Matthew Whaley School, graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1953, and earned a master of arts in teaching degree from George Washington University in 1969; and

WHEREAS, in the 1970s, Marguerite Davis worked on the staff of the Government Training Office, Naval Activities, Yokosuka, Japan, and as an administrator for Boston University, European Division, London; and

WHEREAS, due to her husband's extensive travel and prolonged foreign assignments for the Navy, Marguerite Davis, a perceptive temporary resident, absorbed the life, culture, and treasures of six states and five foreign countries; and

WHEREAS, Marguerite Davis enjoyed mentoring young people and sharing her vast knowledge and experiences; over the years, she taught elementary school and high school and lectured on art history for the University of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, attuned to civic change and need, Marguerite Davis served as a member, as well as a term as chairman, of the Williamsburg Planning Commission and the Williamsburg Electoral Board; a member of the Williamsburg Architectural Review Board; a volunteer election officer of the city; and a recipient of the College of William and Mary's 2005 Prentis Award; and

WHEREAS, a loving mother, devoted Navy wife, and deeply concerned citizen, Marguerite Davis will be sorely missed by her family, her many friends and admirers, and the residents of the Williamsburg community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of a fine Virginian, Marguerite Bozarth Davis; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Marguerite Bozarth Davis as an expression of the respect in which her memory is held by the members of the General Assembly.